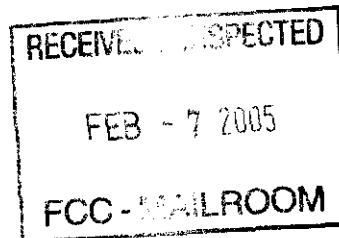


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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: FCC Considers In-Flight Cell Phone Usage (WT Docket No. 04-435)

Dear Sir or Madam:

My wife and I urge you **NOT** to permit cell phones to be used on commercial flights! There may be a few 'emergency' cases where in-flight phone calls are required. But there are already other existing methods to handle these instances.

While some businessmen might like to continue their phone calls while in flight, surely 99.99% of them are not so vitally important to the nation's businesses that they can't wait a few hours to get to the next airport. Let them use their laptops to formulate a new business plan or to exchange e-mail. At least that would be quiet!

But as the enclosed cartoon emphasizes, the biggest problem would come from the 'average' person who 'blabs' endlessly for hours about the most trivial of matters. Think of the times you have been in a restaurant, a doctor's office or a similar public place and have had to endure loud, obnoxious conversations about what someone is doing in their private lives!

Give the public a rest from all this endless invasion of their privacy – at least on a flight! Give the other passengers a chance to read or take a nap without having to endure the cacophony of hundreds of people blathering on about nothing!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. T. Overman".

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